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Amendment
Response to OA dated 9-22-05

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REMARKS

An Information Disclosure Statement is being concurrently filed with this Amendment which provides a copy of Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 7-9944.

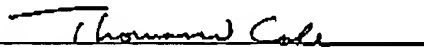
The objection to the specification has been obviated by deleting the word "invention" from the Abstract.

The objection to claims 1 and 14 has been obviated by replacing the words "and at usual times" with --such that-- in lines 25 and 28 respectively.

Now that all the claims are believed to be patentable, the prompt issuance of a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due is hereby earnestly solicited.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any overage or shortage of fees connected with filing of this Amendment to Deposit Account No. 19-2380.

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